

House Resolution No. 4539

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, fifty years ago on August 10, 1957, Richard Lee Johnston took the hand of his beautiful bride, Karen Keehler, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony at the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Blue Springs; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Richard and Karen Johnston have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include three sons, Rick of Lincoln, Ron and his wife, Sheri, of Blue Springs, and Roger, who is an angel in heaven; four grandsons; two granddaughters; and two great-granddaughters; and

Whereas, Richard Johnston has compiled an impressive list of achievement that includes being a Korean War veteran of the United States Air Force who served as a manager for Hudson Oil and Koch for more than twenty-seven years prior to becoming employed by the Raytown School District, from which he is now retired; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Karen Johnston offered her children boundless emotional support, guidance, and understanding which enhanced their lives in countless ways; and

Whereas, members of the Community of Christ Church, Richard and Karen Johnston have found the road to happiness by putting all of their energy, love, and ambition into their marriage and by knowing that a successful union is built upon such strong qualities as sacrifice, dedication, and honesty; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Johnston, residents of Blue Springs, commemorated the glorious occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary on August 10, 2007:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Richard and Karen Johnston for their tremendous success in achieving a half century of wedded bliss and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lee Johnston.

Offered by _____
Representative Gary Dusenberg
District No. 54

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 4539, adopted August 22, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker